

Wisconsin, Legare of South Carolina, Russell and Shepard of Texas, and Clark of Florida—all Democrats. At least one of these had wired that he would be in Washington later in the day, having missed a train.

It thus appeared that the regulars had their entire force on hand while the allies were five votes short.

Nearly All Present.

Practically every member entitled to a seat in the extra session was present when Clerk McDowell called the House to order. The familiar sight of Uncle Joe Cannon rapping for order as the hands of the clock pointed to 12 was absent. The Speaker remaining in his private office until the voting for a new Speaker had been concluded.

The insurgent Republicans went into caucus at 9 o'clock and the Democrats at 10 o'clock, both caucuses being held in the House office building. Information which presently came from the two caucuses made it plain that Speaker Cannon could not be held up or defeated. The more ardent insurgents had hoped to be able to show strength to prevent Cannon's election today with the idea that while they could not ultimately defeat him, such a hold-up would give them a great impetus and bring to their support a large body of public opinion.

The four pivotal men from Iowa, Good, Woods, Fickett, and Kendall, announced that they would vote for Cannon. That was final and absolute.

Would Not Stay Away.

They would not agree to absent themselves or remain silent. They had attended the caucus and they would strictly abide by its mandate as to Speaker.

"That ends the chance of holding up Cannon," said one of the insurgent steering committee, after a hurried and final conference with the spokesmen of the Iowans. "They will not stand against Cannon, and in that situation, we can't get the votes to stop his election."

But on the question of rules these four Iowans, with two others from that State, Hubbard and Haugen, were prepared to stand against the previous question on the motion to adopt the old rules, and to support the insurgent Democratic proposition for immediate amendment and ultimate revision. This was considered to make it certain that the majority would be anti-Cannon on rules, provided the Democrats stood firm.

All eyes were on the Democratic caucus from the moment it was called to order. The attendance was larger than anybody had expected and this gave a degree of satisfaction to the insurgents, which was only equalled by the concern induced in the minds of the regulars.

HOUSE OFFICERS GET SAME PLACES

Immediately after the vote was announced declaring Mr. Cannon Speaker of the House, the House then selected the officers of the Sixtieth Congress as the ones who shall serve during the Sixty-first Congress.

Representative Campbell of Kansas, Bartlett of Georgia, and Clark of Missouri, were then appointed a committee to notify the Speaker of his election, and to escort him to his chair. Inside of two minutes the Speaker and his escort appeared at the main door and marched down the center aisle of the House amid the applause of the Republicans. The Democrats made no demonstration. There was not even a hand-clap on the minority side of the chamber, but as the Speaker ascended the steps to his chair about a score of Democrats arose as a mark of respect. The others sat in silence. Champ Clark occupied the Speaker's chair for a moment while he was introducing Mr. Cannon.

"I present to you," said Mr. Clark, "the second man in the history of the United States who has been elected to four consecutive terms as Speaker."

Amid thunders of applause, Uncle Joe mounted the rostrum and banged the gavel to restore order. "Gentlemen of the House of Representatives," he said, "the election to the high office of Speaker, which I now have for the fourth time by virtue of your confidence and judgment, is a compliment to the honor of which I do not underestimate, and of which I am not lacking in personal appreciation."

"We have before us a most important and difficult session of Congress. The adjustment of the National revenues has been, since the foundation of the Government, a fundamental question, yielding to none other in importance. Even in the civil war, the question of adequate revenue marched side by side with the valor of our armies and the patriotism of our people. And, in time of peace, even, disordered finances are a prolific source of national ills, not so acute as those of war, but yet fruitful of calamity for the general interest and suffering for the individual."

"These conditions should animate us to a high devotion to the duty before us. We must subordinate personal feelings to the general good, trusting to the considerate judgment of the people for approval of our work when it shall have been completed."

Representative Bingham of Pennsylvania then delivered the oath and the Speaker formally called the Sixty-first session of Congress to order. The list of House officers included: For clerk, Alexander McDowell, of Pennsylvania; sergeant-at-arms, Henry Casson, of Minnesota; postmaster, S. A. Langham, of Minnesota; doorkeeper, Frank B. Lyon, of New York; and chaplain, the Rev. Henry N. Coulson, of Michigan. On behalf of the Democrats, Clayton of Alabama presented this list of candidates: For clerk, Kimball, of Kentucky; sergeant-at-arms, J. T. Elmer, of Kentucky; doorkeeper, W. Adams, of North Carolina; postmaster, R. L. Douglas, of South Carolina; and chaplain, George A. Baccus, of Maryland. The Republican list was elected on a viva voce vote.

GOVERNOR WILLSON INJURED IN RUNAWAY

Wife in Serious Condition As Result of Accident in Kentucky Capital.

FRANKFORT, Ky., March 15.—Mrs. Willson, wife of Gov. Augustus O. Willson, is in a serious condition today as the result of being thrown from a carriage yesterday, when a team of horses blundered to the governor's carriage ran away.

Mrs. Willson was knocked senseless, two of her teeth were broken and her left wrist fractured. Governor Willson was bruised about the face.

In the carriage also were Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Lyman, of New York. Mr. Lyman's face was cut, but Mrs. Lyman escaped injury.

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OUTSIDER AS SPEAKER IS FUTURE POSSIBILITY

No Warrant of Law for Selection of Party Leader or Even Member of the House to Rule Over Deliberations.

There is no reason why the Speaker of the House of Representatives should be a member of that body. The Constitution does not require it, and no more does any law. The House could elect its salaried parliamentary expert to be Speaker, if it liked, and it did so would be following in the footsteps of the English commons.

Appropos of the discussion of House rules, organization and tradition, it is remarkable how much serious consideration has been given by thoughtful people to the idea of having a Speaker from outside. Somebody proposed Theodore Roosevelt for the position, and it aroused the most interested comment. It is needless to say, however, that neither the regular Republicans nor the Democrats regarded him as quite available. The country, it was realized, would look upon him as a most interesting figure to preserve, armed with the big gavel, instead of the big stick. More serious thought was given, be-

cause the proposal verged more nearly on the realm of the practical, to the notion of choosing William F. Hendon, a former member, to be Speaker. He is a great parliamentarian, knows the business of the House in every detail, has been for ten years a speakership possibility at all times, and in the present tempo of the House would look good to both the insurgent Republicans and the Democrats. The latter know he is devoted to moderation of the rule, and has always been the arch enemy of the old system, whether it has been known by the name of Reed, or Henderson, or Cannon.

To make him Speaker would have required uprooting an ancient tradition, as well as beating the Cannon organization, of which the latter would have been the more difficult. But the fact remains that at some future time there is likely to be the most serious and thoughtful consideration of some such proposal. It is freely predicted by the parliamentary experts that if the House ever once breaks away and adopts the rule which prevails in most old-world parliamentary bodies, the notion of making a party leader also the presiding officer will be killed forever.

CANNONS PROTECT BOGOTA STREETS

Martial Law in Colombia's Capital—Treaty Displeases Populace.

Bogota, the capital of Colombia, is under martial law and there is much rioting in the city and in the province. Artillery is banked on the plaza and the situation is generally disquieting.

President Reyes resigned his office on the 13th, but took up the reins of government again the following day—yesterday.

Details of the disturbance and the killed and injured have not been received in Washington and the State Department knows nothing except information contained in official dispatches to the effect that there is a great deal of rioting in Bogota and that the military law has been declared. It is understood the disturbance is of a political nature and that the opposition party attacking the government because of the ratification of the Panama-Colombia-United States treaty. This old sore over independence of Panama is reopened at regular intervals by the party not in power.

MEN AT NAVY YARD PROTEST DISCHARGE

Machinists Call Upon Secretary Meyer With Their Requests.

Emmet L. Adams, president of the Federal Lodge of Machinists, and George L. Cain, president of the League of Navy Yard Machinists, called upon Secretary of the Navy George von L. Meyer this morning and urged him to prevent, if possible, the threatened discharge of employees from the Washington navy yard and to ask him to urge upon Congress the necessity for a strike against the award by contract of work that could be done at the Government yard here.

Secretary Meyer promised them that he would give the matter his earnest consideration and would do all that he could for them.

It is practically certain, however, that the impending discharge on April 1 of about 300 men cannot be averted.

COMMERCE CHAMBER EXPERIENCING BOOM

Rush For Membership in Body Exceeds That of Last Month.

From all indications April will surpass the March record in the number of new members admitted to the Chamber of Commerce.

According to Secretary Grant, more applications have been received than were filed at this time last month. Many of them are coming in by mail.

It is believed the number will reach fifty by the time the board of directors meets next month.

HAMMER DROPS ON HEAD.

Accidentally struck over the head by a fellow-workman with a sledge hammer, Lewis Phillips, an Italian, of 36 G street northwest, is in the Casualty hospital suffering a concussion of the brain. Phillips was working on the street railway switch at First and C streets northwest when a heavy hammer in the hands of one of the other workmen slipped and struck him on the head. He was taken to the hospital in an ambulance.

SPANISH GOLD FOUND.

BILBAO, March 15.—As they were excavating in the ruins of an old house in Apamamasterio, near this city, after the building had been burned down, workmen today found hundreds of gold ounces of the time of Charles III. The room in which the treasure was found was formerly inhabited by a wealthy couple reputed to be misers.

The world is with the man who smiles when the Coffee Hurt is gone and

PRESIDENT'S AUTO CAUSES RUNAWAY

Horse Bolts, Buggy Is Overturned, and Driver Thrown Out.

Frightened by President Taft's big automobile, a horse driven by Tolley Spriggs, a colored man of Landover, Md., ran away at 14th street and Pennsylvania avenue shortly after noon today, overturning the buggy and throwing Spriggs to the pavement.

The President's chauffeur had just taken Mrs. Taft to the Capitol and was on his way back to the White House. The horse Spriggs was driving has an aversion to automobiles, and doesn't see any difference between the Presidential variety and the kind that go snorting along country roads. The animal started to shy as the big team machine came in sight, and when the automobile was a few feet away he bolted.

Spriggs held on to the reins until the buggy was turned over and he was thrown out. The horse continued running down the avenue, and was captured by a policeman at the corner of Twelfth street. The President's chauffeur stopped long enough to make sure that the colored driver had not been seriously hurt, and then continued his way to the White House. The buggy was demolished, but Spriggs managed to patch it together with wire so that he could drive back to Landover.

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"REBEL" SENATORS GET GOOD POSTS

Insurgents Put on Committee on Committees By Hale.

Senator Hale this afternoon announced the appointment of the Senate Republican Committee on Committees. He was authorized to select this committee at a Republican caucus some days ago.

The committee consists of Senators Aldrich, Kean, McCumber, Crane, Flint, Sutherland, Curtis, Borah, and Dixon. The selections made by Senator Hale are chiefly interesting from the fact that two of the leading insurgent Senators are put upon the committee. These are Senators Borah and Dixon. The recognition of the insurgents on the Committee on Committees is taken to mean that when the committees are announced, it will be found that insurgent Senators have been given a number of good places.

LOVE OF ONE GIRL FATAL TO BROTHERS

GRANITE CITY, Ill., March 15.—Police authorities are hoping today for an improvement in the mental condition of George Nichols, for fear he may follow two brothers into a suicide's grave as the result of infatuation for Miss Beryl Sommers, a pretty girl who ended her life on March 5.

John Nichols killed himself when he found the girl, with whom he was infatuated, had died.

Robert Nichols, who had never declared his passion, followed his brother yesterday, and today George is in a mental state his friends fear will lead him to do the same thing.

What Congress Did IN THE SENATE.

The Senate met at 12 o'clock and transacted brief routine business.

Senator Stephenson of Wisconsin was sworn in and was escorted to the Vice President's chair by Senator La Follette.

IN THE HOUSE. The House was called to order at 12 o'clock by Clerk McDowell.

The roll was then called.

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The old officers of the House, including clerk, doorkeeper, etc., were reappointed.

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TAFT DELAYS WORK ON FIRST MESSAGE

President to Ask Tomorrow For New Tariff and Inheritance Tax.

President Taft's message to the special session of Congress, which convened today, is not yet written.

And Mr. Taft is not worried about it. He will write it tonight or early tomorrow morning and send it to the House and Senate some time after tomorrow noon. It will be short and will embody but two requests, one that Congress get busy with the tariff and the other that an inheritance tax bill be passed.

This calmness of the President about his message was welcomed today by members of the House and Senate with equanimity and glee. Gone, they said, are the days when special messengers from the White House corroded the asphalt of our expensive streets hotfooting it to the Capitol with special messages.

As for the President, he kept steadily at his old grind of shaking hands with Senators, Representatives, and private citizens who wanted jobs for jobless people.

Speaker of the House Joseph G. Cannon was one of the earliest and most reticent of the White House callers. He talked much while with the President, but was not at all garrulous when questioned by the newspaper men. The conference, it is thought, was the last word before the Speaker went forth to fight the insurgents of the House.

TAKES LONG TRAMP ON ELECTION BET

Bryan Man Must Walk From Pittsburgh to Washington and Return—\$100 Forfeit.

TOLEDO, Ohio, March 15.—In order to pay an election bet with his brother-in-law, Oscar E. Nulf, of East Palestine, Ohio, near here, left Pittsburgh today for Washington, D. C., and return on foot by the same route, covering a distance of 386 miles in 100 days or forfeit \$100.

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